

REMARKS

Claims 19-30 are pending. Independent Claim 19 tracks original Claim 1, but has been amended to include the limitations of Claim 12, which was previously indicated as being otherwise allowable. Claims 20-23 also track and find support in original Claims 1 and 12. Claim 24-28 respectively track and find support in original Claims 13-17. Claim 29 finds support in original Claim 17 and also in the specification on page 5, line 20. Claim 30 tracks and finds support in original Claim 18. Accordingly, the Applicants do not believe that any new matter has been added. Favorable consideration is now respectfully requested.

Rejection—35 U.S.C. §103

Claims 1-11 and 13-18 were rejected under 35 U.S.C. 103(a) as being unpatentable over JP 7-088169A. This rejection is moot in view of the cancellation of these claims. It would not apply to the new claims which have been amended to incorporate the limitations of Claim 12, which was previously indicated as being otherwise allowable.

Rejection—35 U.S.C. §103

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Allowable Subject Matter

The Applicants thank Examiner Hardee for indication that the subject matter of Claim 12 is otherwise allowable.

CONCLUSION

In view of the above amendments and remarks, the Applicants respectfully submit that this application is now in condition for allowance. Early notification to that effect is earnestly solicited.

Respectfully submitted,

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